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**In re the application of:**

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Greetings:

This paper is submitted in full response to the **OFFICE ACTION DATE MAILED 05/22/2006.**

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I would like to thank the Examiner for another thorough examination and search and collection of the prior art in the area of the present invention.

I do admit that some of my original claims do not appear to be novel in light of the cited prior art. However, I feel that there are still a number of features in my patent application that are not covered by the prior art.

For this reason, I have done the following:

**First, re Specification:**

According to **paragraph 2** of the Office Action, I have made the required correction to the abstract, and have attached it under **"IN THE ABSTRACT"**.

As for **paragraph 3** of the Office Action, I have reworked ALL the claims, taking into consideration Examiner's correction requests, as well ALL the other inputs in the subsequent paragraphs of the Office Action. Please see **"REMARKS"** and **"IN THE CLAIMS"**.

**Then, re Claims:**

Based on Paragraphs 4 through 9 of the Office Action, I have amended my claims, as shown below under **"IN THE CLAIMS"**.

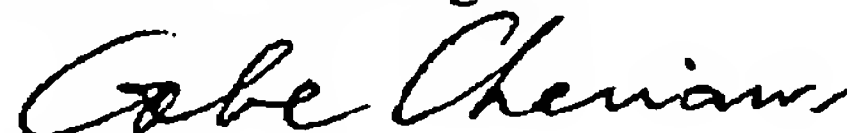
And I have explained my reasoning, as shown below under **"REMARKS"**.

I have also addressed all the cited prior art, also under **"REMARKS"**, and have shown that none of them presents any obstacles against my new/amended claims.

Accordingly, I believe that, based on my analysis of the cited prior art, as seen in my **"REMARKS"**, the new/amended claims are now in condition for allowance and accordingly, I respectfully request the favor of allowing the claims, ALL the new/amended claims, and of issuing a patent for them.

Thank you very much and best regards.

Gabe Cherian.



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PS: There are no additional fees, since the number of active independent and dependent claims is exactly as in the original application.

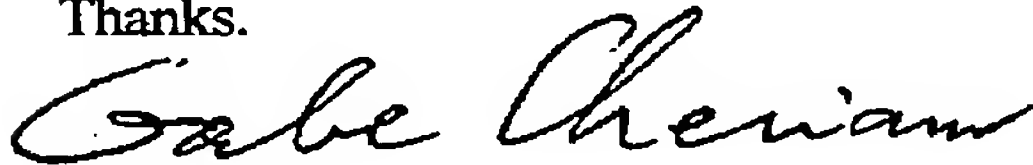
The original application had 4 independent claims and a total of 21 claims.

The present active claims include also 4 independent claims and a total of 21 claims.

So, there is no excess claims, and consequently no excess fees required.

Please advise if this is not correct.

Thanks.



Gabe Cherian.